

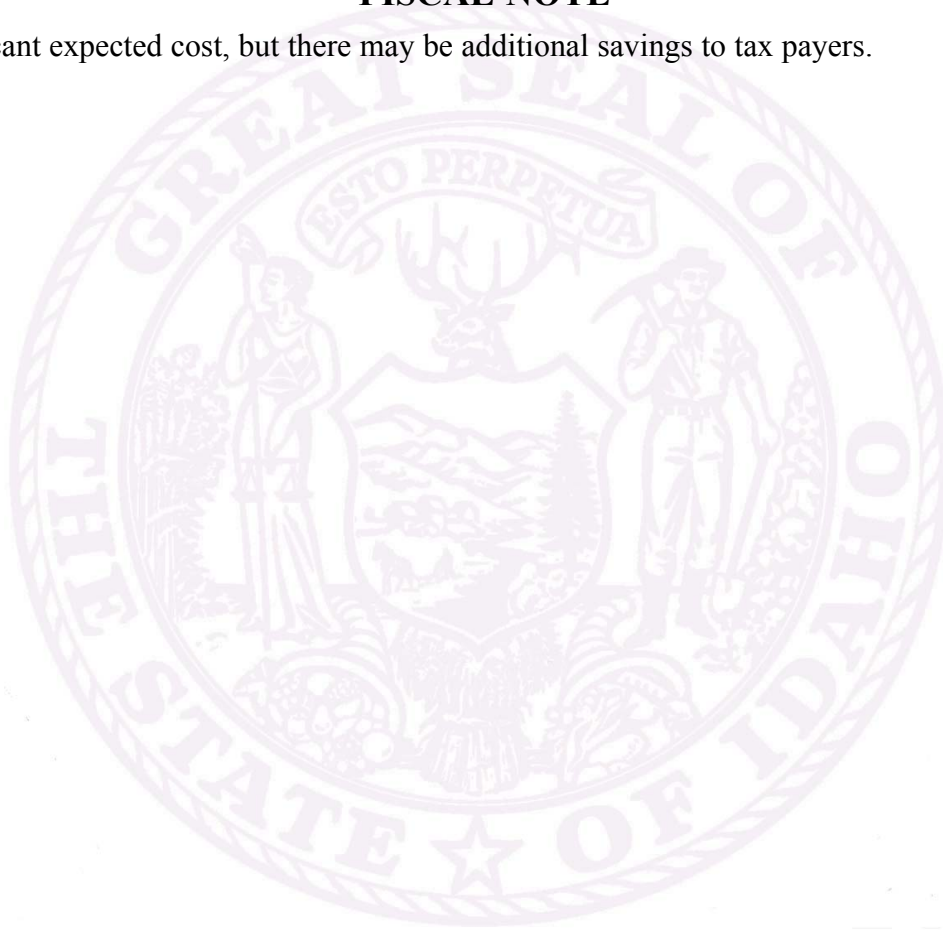
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23704C1

The purpose of this legislation is to facilitate payment for health care for the indigent sick, through county indigent programs and the State CAT Fund. Health care providers will be able to administer alternative care options where treatments are available through facilities providing lesser-cost services meeting industry standards. Providers and/or hospitals will be responsible for facilitating timely claims and follow up services, while working in conjugation with their counties to determine eligibility of submitted claims. Counties will still be held accountable to maintaining investigative operations to ensure validity of all medical claims.

FISCAL NOTE

No significant expected cost, but there may be additional savings to tax payers.



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